

### **About Us**

Founded in 1980 as the Center for Humanistic Studies, the school grew out of the humanistic psychology movement under the leadership of its founders. As the school expanded, the program offerings of the Master of Arts (MA) and Specialist in Psychology (PsyS) degrees in Humanistic and Clinical Psychology were enhanced by the addition of the Doctor of Clinical Psychology (PsyD) degree, approved by the North Central Association of the Higher Learning Commission in 2000. Originally located in downtown Detroit, the school moved to its present location and new facility in 2003, with a name change in 2006 to the Michigan School of Professional Psychology. As a professional school, education is focused solely in the area of psychology, with cohort-based part-time and full-time programs. Retention and graduation rates are high, as students are supported and encouraged along their path to success.

#### **Students**

MA students enter the program with academic preparation in psychology - many also have related work experience. PsyD students enter the program with a graduate degree and have a background of study in psychology or related field. MiSPP graduate students seek to become practicing clinicians committed to the humanistic principles and values of psychology.

2013-2014 Student Count: 161 total students

## **Current Enrollment**

52% Enrolled Full Time 48% Enrolled Part Time

## Students in Current Practicum or Internship Placements

92

### Gender

76% Women 24% Men

### Race/Ethnicity

79% White

14% Black or African American

3% Asian

2% Hispanic or Latino

<1% Non -Resident Alien

0% American Indian/Alaskan Native

2% 2 or More Races

### **Graduate Totals**

MA: 872 PsyS: 293 PsyD: 135

# Michigan School of Professional Psychology (MiSPP) Masters and PsyD Program Clinical Training Analysis 2013-2014

Student Category	# of Students	Total Training Hours at Sites	Hours in Direct Client Contact
Masters Practicum	50	25,000	6,250
PsyD Practicum	22	19,500	9,125
PsyD Internship	25	33,000	8,250
Totals	97	77,500	23,625

## **Student Site Placements**

Below is a representative list of the community-based agencies where MiSPP Master of Arts and Doctor of Clinical Psychology students are placed in clinical training. These sites serve populations with limited access to mental health; MiSPP students predominantly provide low-cost or pro-bono services to agency clients/residents. For the current academic year, students are placed at 54 clinics throughout Michigan, primarily in the Metropolitan Detroit area. More than 50% of these clinics provide community mental health services to underserved populations. Some examples include:

Agency	Location	
Arab Community Center for Economic and Social Services (ACCESS)	Detroit	
Affirmations Lesbian, Gay, Bi-Sexual and Transgender Community Center	Ferndale	
American Indian Health and Family Services	Detroit	
Catholic Social Services	Detroit	
Centro Multicultural La Familia	Pontiac	
Jewish Family Services of Metropolitan	Bloomfield Hills	
*	Royal Oak	
Common Ground Crisis and Residential Centers	Pontiac	
Mariner's Inn Shelter and Treatment Center for the Homeless	Detroit	
Neighborhood Services Organization Older Adult Services	Detroit	
Vista Maria Center (serving victimized girls and women)	Dearborn Heights	
Wayne County Jail	Detroit	



## **United States Department of Education**

The Higher Education Act of 1965 requires that institutions of higher education be accredited by a nationally recognized accrediting agency or association. Accreditation by a nationally recognized institutional accrediting agency enables the institutions eligibility to participate in the federal student financial assistance programs administered by the U.S. Department of Education (Department) under Title IV of the Higher Education Act of 1965, as amended.

## Recognized by the Department of Education

## Higher Learning Commission-North Central Association

The Higher Learning Commission (HLC) - North Central Association of Colleges and Schools (NCA), was founded in 1895 as one of six regional institutional accreditors recognized by the United States Department of Education. The Higher Learning Commission accredits degree-granting post-secondary educational institutions in the North Central region.

## Michigan School of Professional Psychology

The Michigan School of Professional Psychology has been continually accredited by The Higher Learning Commission-North Central Association of Colleges and Schools since 1984. The most recent institutional review in 2006-2007, resulted in a ten-year reaffirmation of accreditation, the longest period possible to attain. This nationally recognized accreditation allows the school to be eligible to participate in the federal student financial assistance programs.

Chief Executive Officer: Dr. Diane S. Blau, President

Name change notes: Center for Humanistic Studies to Michigan School of Professional Psychology

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HLC Institution ID: 1976

Current Accreditation Status: Accredited Candidacy Date(s): 04/29/1982 - 08/17/1984

Accreditation Date(s): 08/18/1984

### **Summary of Commission Review**

Last Reaffirmation of Accreditation: 2006 - 2007 Next Reaffirmation of Accreditation: 2016 - 2017

Control: Private NFP

Degrees Awarded (details below): Masters, Specialist, Doctors

Degree Programs (last updated: 08/17/2013)

	Program Offered	Degrees Awarded in Last Reported Year
Masters Degrees	1	35
Specialist Degrees	1	11
Doctoral Degrees	1	16

HLC website:

http://www.ncahlc.org/component/com/directory/Action,ShowBasic/Itemid,/instid,1976/